Telephone Interview Questions and Information About the Spreadsheet

Telephone interviews will gather the information for this data call. In preparation for those interviews, each State GIS Manager, Center GIS contact, and WO IRMA should have researched the following questions and gathered information to identify the number of existing GIS users in offices for their respective states or centers, as listed Attachment 2 and described below.

General Interview Questions
1) Does your state have any centrally served spatial database repositories residing in Arc Librarian, SDE, coverages linked to RDBMS, etc.? Where are they? Please estimate total size of data.

2) Are you committed to sharing/using local or regional spatial data with partner agencies? If so, describe the data, who the partners are, and if it is shared through regional clearinghouses that you are committed to use.

3) What is unique about BLM business in your state that would impact the future client/server architecture or software needs of your GIS program?

4) Please identify all offices that require direct access to GIS databases and/or use GIS software on a regular basis.

5) For each of the offices in your state, center, or directorate as listed in Attachment 2, identify the number of system, network, and database administrators at the present time.

Information and Interview Questions Relating to Attachment 2
The spreadsheet referred to as Attachment 2, contains a column listing the BLM offices within your state, center, or directorate and columns in which to compile numbers of existing GIS users. Please review the spreadsheet and identify any changes needed to this list of offices. Information for the open columns will be gathered during this data call. Numbers for the shaded columns will be completed during the architecture study.

Total numbers of existing GIS users in each respective office should be listed in the "Total Users" columns for "Tier 1", "Tier 2", and "Tier 3" users as shown in Attachment 3. This information should be completed prior to the telephone interview. Please refer to Attachment 4 for information about each GIS software product. When completing the spreadsheet for your respective offices consider the following:

    A) How many Tier One users, including contractors, are currently in each office?
    B) How many Tier Two users, including contractors, are currently in each office? (Please do not include anyone already counted in Tier One.)
    C) How many Tier Three users, including contractors, are currently in each office? (Please do not include anyone already counted in Tier One or Tier Two.)